

CASA VOLUNTEER INTERVIEW QUESTIONNAIRE

VOLUNTEER QUESTIONNAIRE: (Please answer the following questions as truthfully as possible)

1. How do you feel about parents who abuse their children?
2. Are you aware that most abused children want to return home? _____ How do you feel about this?
3. Could you recommend returning a child to an abusive home?
4. Do you think all children are lovable?
5. Do you have any problems working with people of races other than your own?
6. Why do you think kids lie?
7. Why do you think kids run away?
8. Identify any concerns you may have in representing a sexually abused child(ren).
9. Do you have any preference for working with children of a particular age or sex on casework? If yes, explain...
10. Have you thought about how you will handle your feelings when interviewing abusive parents?

11. What would you do if a child told you something in confidence, which you knew someone needed to know?

12. How do you deal with stressful situations?

13. What would you do if your recommendation on a case were different than the worker and other parties involved with the case?

14. What are you going to do when you are angry with a child? With a parent? With a caseworker? What would make you feel angry?

15. What are your best qualities?

16. What are your three major weaknesses?

17. What do you hope to accomplish in the program?

18. Were you or anyone in your family abused? If yes, how did you or your family handle this situation?

19. How do you discipline your children?

20. What are some mistakes you've made with your own children?

21. What do you want from your children?

22. What are your feelings about mixed marriages? Cohabitation?

23. What are your husband's/wife's complaints about you?

24. How were you disciplined as a child?

25. What do you do for fun?

26. How would your closest friend describe you?

27. What kind of friendship do you have with your child(ren)?

28. Do you feel you can be objective when working with abusive/neglectful parents?

29. How have you handled a situation in the past in which someone was being very difficult?

30. What was the most difficult situation you worked through in your life and how did you handle it?

31. What worries you most about being a CASA Volunteer?

32. Have you or any family member ever experienced difficulties with emotional, alcohol, and/or drug abuse? If so, describe how you have handled this problem.

33. List volunteer programs you have volunteered for in the last five years.

34. CASA is not a typical volunteer experience. You are required to keep time and mileage sheets, five CASA 10 to 15 hours a month of your time, attend trainings, and keep in close contact with the program staff. Are you able to make this commitment?

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Thank you for taking the time to answer these most important questions. These questions are designed to assist CASA with knowing you better and allow you the opportunity to examine your decision to become a CASA Volunteer.